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Islamic Council

APPEAL TO THE MUSLIMS OF THE USSR

On the eve of the International Conference on Human Rights to be held in Moscow in 1991, the Islamic Council appeals to all Muslims in the USSR to concentrate their efforts in the struggle for the basic human rights to which every man, woman and child, Muslim and non-Muslim, is entitled.

I have pleasure in sending you a copy of the UNIVERSAL ISLAMIC DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, which details the code of human rights which Islam gave to mankind more than fourteen centuries ago. This Declaration was prepared by the Islamic Council in conjunction with a consensus of Muslim scholars, statesmen, jurists and representatives of Islamic movements, and proclaimed at an international conference held at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris in 1981. Its contents are based in their entirety on the Holy Qur'an and the Sunnah.

A Russian translation of this Declaration is in preparation.

The Islamic Council prays that the spirit of the UNIVERSAL ISLAMIC DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS will reach the hearts of all Muslims and will guide them on the right path in the struggle for justice and equity for all mankind.

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